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Low K Barrier Layers

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to a continuing examination, please amend the above identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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